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SUBJECT: KOREA IN THE 30TH GA: UPPER VOLTA - CALL ON ACTING
AF ASSISTANT SECRETARY

REF: USUN 5915

SUMMARY: UPPER VOLTA AMBASSADOR (AND UN PERMREP) YAGUIBOU
CALLED ON AF ACTING ASST SECY MULCAHY NOV 14 TO EXPLAIN
AND REAFFIRM PRESIDENT LAMIZANA'S RECENT "IRREVOCABLE"
INSTRUCTION THAT YAGUIBOU ABSENT HIMSELF FROM UNGA PLENARY
VOTE ON KOREA RESOLUTIONS. YABUIBOU SOUGHT GREATER USG
"ATTENTION AND ASSISTANCE" AS "SINCERE FRIEND" OF U.S. END
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1) YAGUIBOU REFERRED TO HIS OWN DIFFICULT POSITION AS

BOTH AMBASSADOR AND UN PERMREP AND COMPLICATIONS PRESENTED BY GENERALLY PRO-NORTH KOREA STANCE OF HIS UN DELEGATION, HIS FOREIGN MINISTER, AS WELL AS NON-ALIGNED AND AFRICAN BLOCS TO WHICH UPPER VOLTA BELONGS. YAGUIBOU IMPLIED WITHOUT SPELLING OUT THAT THESE PROBLEMS HAD PLAYED PART IN FIRST COMMITTEE PRO-NORTH KOREA VOTES DESPITE ASSURANCES TO AMBASSADOR GRAHAM IN OUAGADOUGOU THAT PRESIDENT LAMIZANA HAD INSTRUCTED HIM TO BE ABSENT ON THAT OCCASION.

2) YAGUIBOU STRESSED THAT RECENTLY, HOWEVER, PRESIDENT LAMIZANA PERSONALLY INSTRUCTED HIM TO BE ABSENT DURING FORTHCOMING PLENARY KOREAN VOTING. YAGUIBOU BELIEVED THAT SECRETARY'S LETTER TO PRESIDENT LAMIZANA HAD BEEN OF GREAT ASSISTANCE IN BRINGING ABOUT UPPER VOLTA SHIFT. YAGUIBOU SAID PRESIDENT LAMIZANA HAS DIRECTED HIM TO MAKE NEW UPPER VOLTA POSITION CLEAR TO USUN, (REFTEL) AND TO DEPARTMENT.

3) REFERRING TO RECENT HARSH CRITICISM OF US BY MALIAN UN PERMREP, YAGUIBOU INSISTED THIS COMPLETELY CONTRARY TO ANYTHING UPPER VOLTA WOULD DO AND CLAIMED HIS COUNTRY DEEPLY INTERESTED IN MAINTAINING ITS FRIENDSHIP WITH US. YAGUIBOU HOPED, HOWEVER, THAT IN FUTURE USG COULD "DEVOTE MORE ATTENTION" TO UPPER VOLTA, WHICH IS A SINCERE FRIEND. SPECIFICALLY, HE SOUGHT GREATER APPRECIATION OF UPPER VOLTA POSITIONS ON BILATERAL AS WELL AS MULTILATERAL ISSUES, AND MORE ASSISTANCE. YAGUIBOU UNDERSTOOD THAT USG WILL TAKE MORE "SELECTIVE ATTITUDE" IN FUTURE TOWARD THIRD WORLD NATIONS, AND HOPED UPPER VOLTA WOULD BE ACCORDED A "GOOD PLACE" IN THIS NEW SCHEME. CLAIMING THAT UPPER VOLTA HAD DECIDED ON A POLITICAL SOLUTION TO THE BORDER DISPUTE WITH MALI, YAGUIBOU SAID HIS GOVERNMENT HOPED TO HAVE ONLY A SMALL MILITARY FORCE FOR "DISSUASION" RATHER THAN OFFENSE, AND SOUGHT USG UNDERSTANDING (AND IMPLIED MILITARY AID).

4) ACTING ASST SECY RESPONDED THAT DEPARTMENT AWARE OF THE PRESSURES EXERTED ON UPPER VOLTA BY SEVERAL GROUPS WITH WHICH IT IS ALIGNED, AND WE APPRECIATE THIS DECISION ON THE KOREA QUESTION. HE AFFIRMED THAT THERE IS IN FACT CONFIDENTIAL

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SENTIMENT WITHIN USG TO SELECT OUR FRIENDS MORE CAREFULLY AND SAID WE COUNT UPPER VOLTA AS ONE OF OUR FRIENDS. ACTING ASST SECY NOTED THAT USG MUST BE CAUTIOUS ON MILITARY ASSISTANCE BUT INFORMED YAGUIBOU THAT WE ARE SEEKING CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL FOR INCREASED AID FOR SAHELIAN RECONSTRUCTION WHICH IF OBTAINED WOULD OF COURSE BENEFIT UPPER VOLTA. YAGUIBOU EXPRESSED SOME SKEPTICISM ON OUTLOOK FOR CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL FOR HIGHER AID LEVEL TO

AFRICAN COUNTRIES.

5) YAGUIBOU ENDED HIS PRESENTATION BY SAYING HE HOPED A LETTER OR OTHER COMMUNICATION COULD BE SENT BY USG TO PRESIDENT LAMIZANA EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR LATTER'S DECISION TO HAVE HIS UN PERM REP ABSENT HIMSELF FROM KOREA VOTING. ACTING ASST SECY RESPONDED AMBASSADOR GRAHAM WOULD BE INFORMED OF THIS CONVERSATION AND THAT APPROPRIATE EXPRESSIONS OF APPRECIATION WOULD BE MADE IN OUAGADOUGOU

TO PRESIDENT LAMIZANA.

6) FOR OUAGADOUGOU: DESPITE YAGUIBOU'S FIRM ASSURANCES (WHICH PARALLELED APPROACH MADE PREVIOUS DAY TO AF/W) THAT INSTRUCTIONS FIRM ON ABSENTING UPPER VOLTA FROM PLENARY KOREAN VOTING, SUGGEST YOUR EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION TO PRESIDENT LAMIZANA BE ACCOMPANIED BY REMINDER OF HOW EARLIER ASSURANCES RE FIRST COMMITTEE VOTE BACKFIRED AND EXPECTATION THAT THIS TIME EVERYTHING IS ON TRACK. INGERSOLL

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